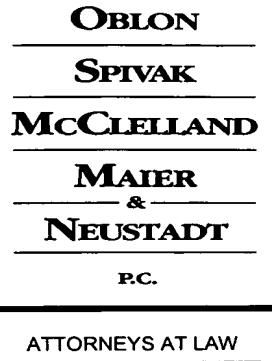




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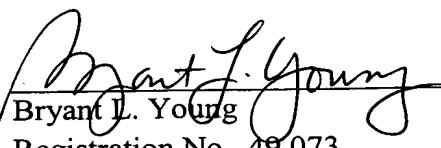
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In response to the Office Action dated January 25, 2005, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks:

Interview Summary begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Applicants wish to thank Examiner John Goodrow for the courtesies extended to Applicants' Representative at the interview held on March 7, 2005. At that time, Applicants' Representative explained that a crystalline polyester having the claimed combination of physical properties was not obvious over the references applied in the outstanding Office Action. The Examiner conceded that a binder resin for a toner containing a crystalline polyester having the specific number-average molecular weight and weight-average molecular weight physical properties, as presented claimed, was not obvious.